

Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A tape roll for a lint removal roller assembly comprising:

- a tape formed of a substrate having opposed side edges and first and second major opposed surfaces of the tape;
- an adhesive layer carried on one major surface;
- the tape wound into a tape roll with the adhesive layer facing outwardly from the roll;
- a separable edge extending at least partially through the roll dividing the roll into a plurality of individually separable sheets; and
- a plurality of pull tabs formed by a plurality of spaced, substantially, non-adhesive portions carried between the side edges of the substrate, each non-adhesive portion disposed as a layer on the adhesive layer and ~~defining in combination with a portion of the separable edge~~ and being substantially split by said separable edge into two segments, one segment forming one pull tab on each sheet on the roll to facilitate removal of an outermost sheet from the roll.

2. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein the non-adhesive portion comprises:

- a substantially non-adhesive coating formed in a plurality of longitudinal spaced locations on one of the first and second major surfaces of the tape.

3. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein the non-adhesive portion comprises:
a thin sheet having a substantially non-adhesive surface.
4. (Original) The tape roll of claim 3 wherein:
the thin sheet is adhesively fixed to the adhesive layer on the tape.
5. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the non-adhesive portion has a polygonal shape.
6. (Withdrawn) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the non-adhesive portion has a circular shape.
7. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the separable edge is in the form of a slit extending at least partially
through the tape roll.
8. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the separable edge is a planar slit extending at least partially through the
tape roll.
9. (Withdrawn) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:
the separable edge is a perforated slit extending at least partially through

the tape roll.

10. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:

the separable edge is a discontinuous slit extending at least partially through the tape roll.

11. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:

the separable edge includes planar and non-planar portions.

12. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:

the pull tab extends longitudinally from the separable edge in the tape.

13. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein the non-adhesive

portion comprises:

a non-adhesive material coating disposed on the tape.

14. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein the non-adhesive

portion comprises:

a material layer fixed on the tape and having a non-adhesive surface facing outward from the adhesive coated layer on the tape.

15. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:

the separable edge is co-extensive with an edge of non-adhesive portion of the pull tab.

16. (Original) The tape roll of claim 1 wherein:

the non-adhesive portions have at least a partial, non-adhesive surface.

17. (Withdrawn) A method of producing a lint removal assembly comprising the steps of:

providing an elongate flexible substrate with first and second opposed surfaces and first and second side edges;

affixing an adhesive layer on one of the first and second surfaces of the substrate;

providing a plurality of longitudinally spaced, non-adhesive portions as a layer on the adhesive layer on the tape;

winding the tape into a roll with the adhesive layer facing outwardly of the roll;

forming a separable edge at least partially through the roll dividing the roll into individually separable sheets; and

disposing the separable edge adjacent to the non-adhesive portions on each sheet to form a pull tab.